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Communicable Disease Report March 2, 2009

Gallatin County Weekly Communicable Disease Report 2/18- 2/24, 2009

Reportable :

18 Influenza B
11 Influenza A
11 Chlamydia
4 Hepatitis C
1 Hepatitis A
1 Gonorrhea
1 Cat Bite

Non- Reportable :

55 Streptococcus
11 RSV
3 Mononucleosis

Montana Communicable Disease Weekly Update: 02/27/09 Summary – Week 06 & 07

Disease reports received at DPHHS during the reporting period February 8-21, 2009 included campylobacteriosis, cryptosporidiosis, giardiasis, non-0157 STEC, salmonellosis (cluster in Gallatin County; two cases in Hill County related to peanut product related national outbreak), hepatitis A in two travelers to Mexico, rabies in a skunk in Sweet Grass County, and continued varicella activity.

Hepatitis A – Two recent cases of hepatitis A in travelers to Mexico reminds us that vaccination against hepatitis A is recommended for all unvaccinated people traveling to or working in countries with an intermediate or high level of hepatitis A virus activity (Mexico). For more information: <http://wwwn.cdc.gov/travel/regionList.aspx> (list of countries) or <http://wwwn.cdc.gov/travel/yellowBookCh4-HepA.aspx> (hepatitis A and travel).

Rabies – This year we have continued to confirm cases in animals through the winter. The most recent case was in a semi-feral cat in Lewis & Clark County.

Salmonella typhimurium Outbreak – As of 2/22/09, there were 666 in 45 states with the most recent onset date 2/3/09. Two cases have been confirmed in Montana in residents of Hill County who ate recalled products. For updates regarding the outbreak: <http://www.cdc.gov/salmonella/typhimurium/>.

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